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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant's 1 July 2002 Amendment After Final Rejection was not entered in the underlying application. This Preliminary Amendment takes into account the Advisory Action mailed 31 July 2002 in response to that Amendment, and presents amended claims that applicant believes fully addresses the Examiner's concerns raised in the Advisory Action.

## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

Without prejudice or disclaimer, please replace claims 23, 27-33, 35-37, 42, 43, 51, 52, 54-56, 6Q and 63 with the following rewritten claims:

- 23. (amended) A method of forming a pattern of at least two coatings onto a base substrate to achieve edge alignment between at least a part of each of said coatings along at least a part of one edge of said pattern, the method comprising the steps of:
  - a) providing a base substrate comprising at least one base;

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